

A note on starshaped sets in 2-dimensional manifolds without conjugate points

ABSTRACT

Let W^n be C^∞ complete, simply connected n -dimensional Riemannian manifolds without conjugate points. Assume that $n=2$ and $S \subset W^2$ is starshaped where $\ker S \neq S$. For every point $x \in S \setminus \ker S$, define $A(x) = \{y: y \text{ lies on some geodesic segment in } S \text{ from } x \text{ to a point of } \ker S\}$. There is a finite collection \mathcal{A} of all maximal A sets whose union is S . Further, $\ker S = \bigcap \{A: A \in \mathcal{A}\}$.

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